

REMARKS

Upon entry of the above amendment, the claims will be 20 and 21.

The above amendment is responsive to points set forth in the Official Action as will be discussed below.

With regard to Official Action paragraph 3, it is not necessary to cross reference foreign priority applications in the first sentence of the specification. Please see MPEP §1895.01 at page 1800-206, right hand column. Also see MPEP §1893.03(c)III at page 1800-198.

Further, with regard to cross referencing the International Application of which the present application is a national stage application, is not necessary to cross reference it as is evident from MPEP §1893.03(c)III, paragraph bridging left and right hand columns of page 1800-199.

With regard to the rejection on indefiniteness in Official Action paragraphs 5 to 8, claims 20 and 21 have been amended to clarify what is intended. Thus, it is clear that one group of polymers have a certain range of n and the other group of polymers have an integer less than that of the first group by at least 10.

With regard to the rejection on prior art in Official Action paragraphs 10 and 11, please note that the rejected claims have been canceled.

With regard to the rejection on obviousness-type double patenting in Official Action paragraph 13, claims 14 to 24 have been provisionally rejected over claims 1 to 11 of co-pending application Serial No. 10/509,576 in view of Pavey et al.

In reply, there is submitted herewith a Terminal Disclaimer which disclaims the terminal portion of any patent maturing from the present application which extends beyond the expiration date of co-pending application number 10/509,576.

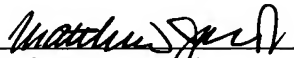
With regard to the double patenting rejection in Official Action paragraph 14, this is inapplicable to the present claims since the rejected claims have been canceled.

No further issues remaining, allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any comments or proposals for expediting prosecution, please contact undersigned at the telephone number below.

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